

HOUSE BILL No. 1260

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-29.

Synopsis: Tourism. Appropriates \$4,000,000 annually to the office of tourism development (office). Requires the office to prepare a report that summarizes the economic impact of the appropriation. Creates the partnership council and the partnership council fund (fund). Appropriates \$1,000,000 annually to the fund. Provides that the partnership council shall provide matching funds for approved tourism campaigns.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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First Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2015)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 5-29-2-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2015]: **Sec. 8. There is annually appropriated to the office four**
4 **million dollars (\$4,000,000) from the state general fund.**
5 SECTION 2. IC 5-29-2-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
6 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
7 1, 2015]: **Sec. 9. (a) Before November 1 of each year, the office shall**
8 **prepare a report that summarizes the economic impact of:**
9 **(1) the additional appropriation described in section 8 of this**
10 **chapter, compared to the appropriation in 2014, to the office;**
11 **and**
12 **(2) the appropriation described in IC 5-29-6.**
13 **(b) The office shall provide the reports in an electronic format**
14 **under IC 5-14-6 to the legislative council and the legislative**
15 **services agency for the use of the members of the house of**



representatives and the senate.

SECTION 3. IC 5-29-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]:

Chapter 5. Partnership Council

Sec. 1. The partnership council consists of the following members:

(1) Four (4) members appointed by the lieutenant governor.

(2) Four (4) members appointed by the Indiana tourism association, including two (2) members who are representative of Indiana destination marketing organizations.

Sec. 2. (a) Five (5) members of the partnership council constitute a quorum.

(b) The affirmative votes of a majority of the members appointed to the partnership council are required for the partnership council to take action.

(c) The lieutenant governor shall appoint a chairperson of the partnership council.

(d) The partnership council shall adopt written procedures to govern the transaction of business by the partnership council.

(e) A member of the partnership council who is not a state employee is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also not entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties.

Sec. 3. The partnership council shall determine how to use the partnership council fund under IC 5-29-6.

Sec. 4. The partnership council may receive funds from any source and may expend funds for activities necessary, convenient, or expedient to carry out the partnership council's purposes.

Sec. 5. The office shall provide administrative services to the partnership council, as directed by the lieutenant governor.

Sec. 6. The partnership council shall submit an annual report to the governor and to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later than November 1 each year.

SECTION 4. IC 5-29-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]:

Chapter 6. Partnership Council Fund

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the partnership council fund established by section 3 of this chapter.



1 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "partnership council" refers to
2 the partnership council established in IC 5-29-5.

3 **Sec. 3. (a)** The partnership council fund is established within the
4 state treasury. The fund shall be used for the purposes of this
5 chapter.

6 **(b)** There is annually appropriated to the fund one million
7 dollars (\$1,000,000) from the state general fund.

8 **(c)** The fund also consists of other appropriations from the
9 general assembly, and gifts, donations, bequests, devises, and
10 contributions received by the partnership council and the office.

11 **(d)** The office shall administer the fund at the direction of the
12 partnership council.

13 **(e)** Money in the fund is available for the partnership council to
14 use in promoting tourism in Indiana in the following manner:

15 **(1)** An organization or group that promotes tourism in
16 Indiana may apply to the partnership council to provide
17 matching funds for an organization or group's tourism
18 campaign.

19 **(2)** If the partnership council approves a campaign in
20 subdivision (1), the partnership council shall determine the
21 amount of money the partnership council will match when the
22 organization or group spends that amount of money on the
23 campaign.

24 **(3)** The organization or group shall submit copies of paid
25 invoices to indicate the amount of money that has been spent
26 on the approved campaign.

27 **(4)** The partnership council shall match the funds that the
28 group or organization has paid up to the determined amount
29 of money of the matching grant determined under subdivision
30 (2).

31 **(5)** The partnership council is not obligated to match more
32 than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per year under this
33 section.

34 **(f)** The money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does
35 not revert to the state general fund but remains in the fund.

36 **(g)** The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not
37 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
38 manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that
39 accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the state
40 general fund.

